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Wendy Dixon, Manager Yucca Mountain Environmental Statement Department of Energy P. O. Box 30307 M/S 010 North Las Vegas, NV 89036-0307

Dear Wendy Dixon:

- I am opposed to nuclear waste shipments passing through St. Louis. More than one-half of the operating nuclear power reactors in the US are east of the Mississippi. The state of Nevada doesn't want the waste, and I am strongly opposed to the waste traveling through metropolitan areas such as St. Louis.
- I am opposed to the so-called permanent facility at Yucca Mountain which seems to have many flaws and undesirable characteristics. We know that much of the wastes will have to be contained
- for thousands of years. Until there is an appropriate, safe technology and a really suitable site that has the trust of the public, any unnecessary transportation of nuclear waste is too risky to carry out.

Centralized interim storage is not the answer either!

There is no safe, permanent place to store radioactive waste, and no adequate permanent storage technology yet developed. Yet nuclear reactors continue to generate nuclear waste. Perhaps the solution to this problem should be in ceasing to produce the waste in the first place.

Sincerely,

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